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TO:

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FROM:

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Subject:

Surety Amount, Grand County Water Conservancy District, Spanish

Valley Clay Mine, M03700060, San Juan County, Utah

The referenced mine site is a clay pit on the south side of the Spanish Valley almost adjacent to US Highway 191. The operation is permitted for five acres of disturbance.

Very little grading would be required to reclaim the site, and it would consist primarily of controlling water running on to the site from an adjacent road, repairing erosion within the pit, and to grading out stockpiles. The sides of the pit are shallow enough that no general grading of the entire site would be needed. Otherwise, reclamation would consist of preparing the surface, i.e. ripping or gouging, and seeding. For this reason, the surety amount has been determined to be \$10,000.00 which is less than the standard amount for a five-acre site.

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